information on arrests etc., the Central Government does not maintain information in this regard.

Commission of Inquiry on 1984 Riots

1416. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have appointed a new Commission of Inquiry to probe the riots which broke out in Delhi in the wake of the assassination of former Prime Minister, Smt. Indira Gandhi in October, 1984.

(b) if so, what are the details thereof including its terms of reference;

(c) what are the specific reasons for appointing this new Commission and in what manner it would be different from earlier Commission; and

(d) by when it is likely to submit its report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) The Government have decided to appoint a Commission of Inquiry to inquire afresh into 1984 anti-Sikh riots. The terms of reference for the Commission are being notified.

(c) The decision to appoint the new Commission of Inquiry was taken in view of the widespread demand from defferent sections of the public, particularly, the Sikh community that the inquiry already made did not result in any effective action against those responsible for these riots.

(d) The Commission shall submit its report within six months from the date of publication of the notification.